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**Memo To: Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission**

**From: John Bell, Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers
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Date: December 3, 2021

Re: Docket 5190 – 2022 Renewable Energy Standard Procurement Plan

On October 8, 2021, the Narragansett Electric Company (“National Grid” or the “Company”) filed its 2022 Renewable Energy Standard (“RES”) Procurement Plan. In its cover letter to the filing, the Company stated, “The 2022 RES Plan does not include any adjustments to the 2021 RES Plan which was approved by the Public Utilities Commission (“PUC”) at an Open Meeting on April 14, 2021 in Docket No. 5096.” The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (“Division”) has reviewed the 2022 Plan and confirms that it does not include any adjustments to the currently approved Plan.

The Division conducted a review of the 2021 Plan in Docket 5096, submitted comments on February 24, 2021, and participated in the PUC’s hearing on the Plan. Our comments noted that National Grid proposed four (4) changes from the 2020 Plan. We evaluated the proposed changes, concluded they were in the ratepayer’s best interest and recommended approval of the 2021 Plan, which - as noted by National Grid - was approved by the PUC. Given that the Company has proposed no changes to the 2022 Plan, and consistent with our analysis and position on the 2021 Plan, the Division recommends approval of the 2022 Plan as filed.